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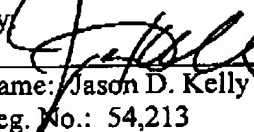
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 13, 2006, the period of response for which runs through September 13, 2006, please amend the application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.